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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 15, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper

A—Appendix including the additional figure is attached at the end of this paper.